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PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH COMPARED.

DEATH RATES FOR PRINCIPAL CAUSES, OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, 1921, IN A GROUP OF INSURED PERSONS.

The accompanying table is taken from the Statistical Bulletin of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for December, 1921. It presents the mortality data of the industrial department of the company for October and November, 1921, and November and year, 1920.

The figures are based on a strength of approximately 13,400,000 insured persons.

Death rates (annual basis) per 100,000 lives exposed, for principal causes, October and November, 1921, and November and year, 1920.

[Industrial Department, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.]

Cause of death.	Death rate per 100,000 lives exposed.			
	November, 1921.	October, 1921.	November, 1920.	Year 1920.
Total, all causes.....	836.7	770.8	848.6	989.4
Typhoid fever.....	8.7	8.4	9.4	6.7
Measles.....	.6	.3	2.2	8.5
Scarlet fever.....	5.5	3.4	7.1	6.0
Whooping cough.....	1.6	1.3	2.7	6.6
Diphtheria.....	30.7	27.4	31.7	22.1
Influenza.....	5.2	3.6	5.7	53.5
Tuberculosis (all forms).....	95.3	95.3	114.4	137.9
Cancer.....	70.1	69.5	70.6	69.8
Meningitis (all forms).....	5.3	4.0	4.2	5.2
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	62.6	52.7	57.2	61.3
Organic diseases of heart.....	118.4	107.8	105.9	117.0
Pneumonia (all forms).....	61.1	39.4	54.1	106.1
Other respiratory diseases.....	15.1	11.8	15.2	18.2
Diarrhea and enteritis.....	13.2	14.7	14.9	15.8
Bright's disease.....	69.1	62.2	65.7	70.8
Puerperal state.....	16.3	14.1	15.5	23.0
Suicides.....	5.9	8.4	6.1	6.1
Homicides.....	6.3	6.6	5.3	5.8
Other external causes (excluding suicides and homicides).....	51.4	49.9	61.4	60.1
Traumatism by automobile.....	13.6	13.8	15.1	11.1
All other causes.....	194.1	190.0	199.2	188.9

DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED DEC. 31, 1921.

Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for week ended Dec. 31, 1921, and corresponding week, 1920. (From the Weekly Health Index, Jan. 3, 1922, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.)

	Week ended Dec. 31, 1921.	Correspondin g week, 1920.
Policies in force.....	47, 852, 588	45, 019, 068
Number of death claims.....	9, 648	7, 093
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate.....	10.5	8.2

Deaths from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended Dec. 31, 1921, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of preceding years. (From the Weekly Health Index, Jan. 3, 1922, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.)

City.	Estimated population July 1, 1921.	Week ended Dec. 31, 1921.		Average annual death rate per 1,000. ²	Deaths under 1 year.		Infant mortality rate, week ended Dec. 31, 1921. ³
		Total deaths.	Death rate. ¹		Week ended Dec. 31, 1921.	Previous year or years. ²	
Akron, Ohio.....	229,195	34	7.7	10.8	2	43	19
Albany, N. Y.....	115,071	39	17.7	C 15.6	1	C 1	22
Atlanta, Ga.....	207,473	73	18.3	C 14.1	8	C 8	.....
Baltimore, Md.....	750,864	201	14.0	A 17.8	21	A 25	59
Birmingham, Ala.....	186,133	58	16.2	A 20.8	7	A 7	.....
Boston, Mass.....	757,634	214	14.7	A 17.2	27	A 37	73
Bridgeport, Conn.....	149,967	36	12.5	A 18.0	5	A 7	63
Buffalo, N. Y.....	519,608	113	11.3	C 14.1	21	C 34	81
Cambridge, Mass.....	110,444	32	15.1	A 14.6	3	A 3	54
Camden, N. J.....	119,672	32	13.9	.....	4	.....	60
Chicago, Ill.....	2,780,655	575	10.8	A 14.4	83	A 119	.....
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	403,418	121	15.6	C 11.9	12	C 10	79
Cleveland, Ohio.....	831,138	155	9.7	C 10.8	30	C 25	80
Columbus, Ohio.....	245,858	68	14.5	C 13.5	7	C 6	81
Dallas, Tex.....	165,282	43	13.6	A 17.5	11	A 3	.....
Dayton, Ohio.....	158,119	35	11.5	C 10.1	5	C 3	82
Denver, Colo.....	263,152	71	14.1	A 17.4	7	.....	.....
Detroit, Mich.....	1,070,450	188	9.2	C 8.5	30	C 27	57
Fall River, Mass.....	120,668	32	13.8	C 12.1	9	C 7	135
Fort Worth, Tex.....	111,423	23	10.8	.....	2	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	141,197	30	11.1	C 9.8	5	C 4	85
Houston, Tex.....	144,340	27	9.8	C 15.6	2	C 4	.....
Indianapolis, Ind.....	325,632	92	14.7	C 12.6	10	C 13	78
Jersey City, N. J.....	302,788	60	10.3	C 10.4	12	C 5	83
Kansas City, Kans.....	103,884	32	16.1	C 12.8	3	C 5	72
Kansas City, Mo.....	336,157	135	21.1	C 11.9	25	C 12	.....
Los Angeles, Calif.....	614,160	191	16.2	A 14.8	23	A 9	109
Louisville, Ky.....	236,083	59	13.0	C 16.6	4	C 10	46
Lowell, Mass.....	113,757	26	11.9	A 15.7	2	A 7	32
Memphis, Tenn.....	165,656	51	16.1	.....	4	.....	.....
Milwaukee, Wis.....	468,386	81	9.0	A 12.2	12	A 21	58
Minneapolis, Minn.....	392,815	85	11.3	C 10.3	16	C 10	91
Nashville, Tenn.....	122,036	52	22.2	C 13.2	4	C 2	.....
New Bedford, Mass.....	125,012	25	10.4	A 17.1	4	A 6	61
New Haven, Conn.....	167,007	47	14.7	C 11.1	5	C 3	60
New Orleans, La.....	394,657	133	17.6	A 21.9	21	A 16	.....
New York, N. Y.....	5,751,867	1,364	12.4	C 11.1	175	C 202	69
Newark, N. J.....	424,885	90	11.0	C 11.6	13	C 16	58
Norfolk, Va.....	121,260	27	11.6	.....	4	.....	71
Oakland, Calif.....	226,472	74	17.0	A 12.9	3	A 5	38
Omaha, Nebr.....	197,066	46	12.2	.....	9	.....	104
Paterson, N. J.....	137,463	27	10.2	.....	1	.....	17
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,866,212	503	14.1	22.1	70	71	84
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	602,452	180	15.6	C 12.9	39	C 19	138
Portland, Oreg.....	264,850	73	14.8	C 9.6	8	C 5	80
Providence, R. I.....	239,645	78	17.0	C 14.2	7	C 11	57
Richmond, Va.....	175,686	49	14.5	C 13.6	6	C 3	73
Rochester, N. Y.....	305,229	69	11.8	C 12.2	7	C 9	54
St. Louis, Mo.....	786,164	206	13.7	C 12.5	10	C 23	.....
St. Paul, Minn.....	237,781	40	8.8	C 11.1	5	C 4	50
Salt Lake City, Utah.....	121,595	23	9.9	A 16.3	6	.....	93
San Francisco, Calif.....	520,546	178	17.8	C 12.4	8	C 8	46
Seattle, Wash.....	327,227	64	10.2	A 9.9	6	A 5	50
Spokane, Wash.....	104,442	29	14.5	C 10.0	5	C 2	109
Springfield, Mass.....	135,877	38	14.6	C 9.1	5	C 4	75
Syracuse, N. Y.....	177,265	56	16.3	C 14.7	6	C 10	72
Toledo, Ohio.....	253,096	60	12.3	A 14.7	6	A 10	60
Trenton, N. J.....	122,760	32	13.6	A 20.1	1	A 6	15
Washington, D. C.....	454,026	153	17.6	A 18.7	14	A 13	82
Wilmington, Del.....	113,408	28	12.9	C 12.7	1	C 5	.....
Worcester, Mass.....	184,972	57	16.1	C 11.2	7	C 10	75
Yonkers, N. Y.....	103,324	26	13.1	A 17.2	3	A 7	68
Youngstown, Ohio.....	139,432	28	10.5	C 11.6	8	C 8	101

¹ Annual rate per 1,000 population.

² "A" indicates data for the corresponding week of the years 1913 to 1917, inclusive. "C" indicates data for the corresponding week of the year 1920.

³ Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 births—an annual rate based on deaths under 1 year for the week and estimated births for 1920. Cities left blank are not in the registration area for births.

⁴ Data based on statistics of 1915, 1916, and 1917.